



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the
3 State of Illinois congratulate the Village of Hillside on its
4 100th anniversary; and

5 WHEREAS, Established in 1905, Hillside is the "Hub of the
6 Western Suburbs"; being located near numerous transportation
7 and business opportunities, Hillside is a developing community
8 of over 8,100 residents; the Village prides itself on community
9 aesthetics and values and works to attract and maintain
10 businesses in the community; and

11 WHEREAS, Hillside has been known as the town of Proviso,
12 taken after the name of Proviso Township, the township in which
13 it is located; in 1833, Frank Covell purchased land to build
14 Hillside's first home; today, this land is known as the
15 landfill along Mannheim Road; in 1905, Hillside became its own
16 municipality with its incorporation on December 6; John Wolf
17 was the first President of the Village, and 1919 saw the
18 dedication of the first village hall, built on the site of
19 today's village hall; and

20 WHEREAS, Hillside was selected in the mid-1950s as the site
21 of the first large regional shopping center in the Chicago
22 suburban area; opened in 1956, the Hillside Shopping Center has
23 67 stores, offering a variety of sales and services to the
24 surrounding area; the original Butterfield Road business
25 district was the first to thrive in the early community; and

26 WHEREAS, The Village of Hillside is a home rule unit of
27 government that is proud of the relationships it maintains with
28 the business community; the Village offers residents many
29 opportunities throughout the community, whether it is for
30 education, recreation, commerce, or location; and

1 WHEREAS, The mission of Hillside's economic development is
2 to attract and promote the appropriate growth and expansion of
3 retail, office, light industry, distribution, warehouse, and
4 related businesses within the Village in order to strengthen
5 the tax base and increase job opportunities for its residents;
6 Hillside also serves the community by creating and fostering
7 successful programs to retain and bolster existing business
8 activities within the Village; and

9 WHEREAS, More than 200 companies comprise the industrial
10 and business areas of Hillside, adding significantly to the
11 progress, pride, and growth of the community; within easy
12 access to highways, railroads, and O'Hare Airport, Hillside has
13 attracted major light industry, professional and commercial
14 business, and shopping centers; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
16 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
17 we congratulate the Village of Hillside on the occasion of its
18 centennial anniversary; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
20 presented to the Village of Hillside.